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5. Saudi Government Ratifies Agreements with Aramco and Tapline. On March 26, 1963, royal decrees number 51 and 52 were promulgated, ratifying the Saudi Government's agreements with Aramco and Tapline. The complete texts of these two agreements were also published.

On the occasion of the formal ratification, the Minister of Petroleum, Ahmad Zaki Yamani, issued a statement explaining the agreements and asserting that they would produce about 100 million dollars of additional income for the Saudi Arabian Government over the next five years. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Comment: In the past, the Saudi Government has always been reluctant to reveal exactly how much money it has received from Aramco. It is noteworthy that on this occasion it chose to publish what appear to be complete details. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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